Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Tuesday 22 Sep 2020 until 23:59 on Wednesday 23 Sep 2020

Forecast Issued on Tuesday 22 Sep 2020 at 02:50 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High confidence for change in the weather over the next few days to a cold showery northerly. Medium confidence for timing of rainfall on Tuesday.

Headline for Tuesday 22 Sep 2020: A cloudy, very windy day with a band of rain moving across the ranges in the late afternoon and evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Tuesday 22 Sep 2020

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy Snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
Low Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Fog	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Heavy Rain	Drizzle
Precipitation probability					
<05%	<05%	20%	40%	60%	60%

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Weather: A mainly dry start although areas of thicker cloud and fog may give some drizzly outbreaks in the morning. Cloud may lower over the tops for more westerly ranges like Ben Alder and Creag Meagaidh as a front approaches from the west. The front will move east across Scotland in the late afternoon and evening giving a spell of rain to most areas. The rain might be quite heavy for a short time. Becoming clearer later in the evening and feeling a lot colder.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40-50% chance in the west with cloud bases around 600-700m, further east cloud bases may be around 800-900m with some breaks in the cloud. More breaks likely around the Lecht hills.

Visibility: Visibility will generally be good in the morning but becoming moderate or poor later as drizzle and light rain arrive.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	38/49 S	43/56 S	42/57 S	39/54 S	41/56 SW	30/42 SW	22/30 NW
900	34/41 S	45/55 S	42/55 S	41/54 S	42/55 S	26/36 SW	17/24 W
600	21/29 SW	28/39 S	30/43 SW	29/42 S	28/40 SW	18/28 SW	12/20 W
300	8/21 S	11/27 SW	16/35 SW	17/37 S	17/37 SW	11/24 SW	8/17 W
Glen	4/20 SW	9/31 SW	9/31 SW	8/30 SW	6/27 SW	6/23 W	5/18 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	3/-4	4/-4	4/-3	5/-2	4/-2	3/-4	1/-6
900	9/4	9/4	8/2	8/2	8/2	6/0	4/-1
600	11/7	11/6	10/6	11/6	10/6	8/4	6/3
300	11/9	11/9	13/10	13/10	13/10	11/8	8/6
Glen	10/9	11/8	13/11	15/12	13/12	11/9	7/6
Freezing Level*	2900m	2100m	2000m	2300m	2700m	1700m	1200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Severe Gales possible on the Cairngorm Plateau where winds speeds may be higher than indicated, some gusts around 70mph possible. A marked change to a colder feel from late afternoon and a noticeable wind chill overnight.

Forecast for Wednesday 23 Sep 2020

Weather: A dry day with long sunny intervals, a few small showers are possible particularly around the more northerly ranges. Feeling fresher than previous days.

Maximum wind: Northwesterly 15-20mph becoming southwesterly 5-10mph later.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 90% chance of clear tops, perhaps some scattered cloud around the tops in any showers.

Visibility: Mainly good or very good with excellent views possible.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 4 rising to 10 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 2 Celsius.
Freezing level: Around 1000m rising to 1300m later.

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